

Council on Technology and Innovation

FAQs

1. **Question:** What is the Council for Technology and Innovation (CTI)?

Answer: Section 942(a) of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 establishes a Council for Technology and Innovation (*CTI*), charged with coordinating coverage, coding, and payment processes with respect to new technologies and procedures (including new drug therapies), as well as facilitating the exchange of information between CMS and other entities making similar decisions. The CTI will work to improve the timeliness and efficiency of the coverage, coding, and payment processes. Specific steps to achieve this goal include facilitating greater stakeholder understanding of those processes, making sure that the processes are based on the best and latest scientific knowledge, and creating enhanced opportunities for stakeholders to communicate with the Agency.

2. **Question:** Who are the members of the Council for Technology and Innovation (CTI)?

Answer: The Council consists of members of the Agency's senior professional staff and will be co-chaired by the Director of the Center for Medicare Management, Herb Kuhn, who will be designated the Council's Executive Coordinator, and Sean Tunis, MD, the director of the Office of Clinical Standards and Quality.

3. **Question:** I am a provider/supplier/beneficiary/manufacturer, and I'm having difficulty with the coverage/coding/payment process. How can I interact with the Council for Technology and Innovation (CTI) to get some assistance?

Answer: Stakeholders interested in coverage, coding and payment processes, or are having difficulties navigating these processes can contact the Council at CTI@cms.hhs.gov or from the "Contact Us" section of the [CTI homepage](#).